

**In the Specification:**

Under the section entitled "Brief Description of the Drawings," please amend the paragraphs starting at page 3, line 5 as follows:

~~Fig. 3 is a~~ Figs. 3a-3d are block diagram diagrams showing a tree of linked web pages with menu options for a transaction manager section interface as a part of the procurement/auction web site in accordance with the present invention.

~~Fig. 4 is a~~ Figs. 4a-4b are block diagram diagrams showing a tree of linked web pages with menu options for a seller manager section interface as a part of the procurement/auction web site in accordance with the present invention.

~~Fig. 5 is a~~ Figs. 5a-5b are block diagram diagrams showing a tree of linked web pages with menu options for a buyer section interface as a part of the procurement/auction web site in accordance with the present invention.

Under the section entitled "Detailed Description of the Invention," please amend the paragraphs starting at page 3, line 26 as follows:

The steps of the present method are shown in the block diagram of Fig. 1. ~~Figs. 2, 3, 4 and 5~~ Figs. 2, 3a-3d, 4a-4b and 5a-5b are explicitly detailed block diagrams depicting a plurality of linked web pages in a web site for implementing the preferred embodiment of the present invention. It should be understood that Fig. 2 shows a main sub-menu for the web site, which can be a home page for an procurement/auction web site in accordance with the present invention. ~~Fig. 3 shows~~ Figs. 3a-3d show a tree of linked web pages with menu options for a transaction manager section interface as a part of the procurement/auction web site in accordance with the present invention. ~~Fig. 4 shows~~ Figs. 4a-4b show a tree of linked web pages with menu options for a seller section web page interface as a part of the procurement/auction web site in accordance with the present invention. ~~Fig. 5 shows~~ Figs. 5a-5b show a tree of linked web pages with menu options for a buyer section web page interface as a part of the procurement/auction web site in accordance with the present invention.